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## **PATENT APPLICATION**

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
Tomochika MURAKAMI Application No.: 10/600,620	; ) ;	Examiner: Unassigned Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Filed: June 23, 2003	; )	
For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD, COMPUTER PROGRAM, AND COMPUTER-READABLE STORAGE MEDIUM	; ) ; )	September 3, 2003
Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450		

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A copy of each of the above-cited applications is enclosed.

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No fee is due in connection with this paper since it is being submitted before issuance of an Office Action.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

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